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# **ANNUAL REPORTS**

**of the town of**

# **Bennington**

**NEW HAMPSHIRE**



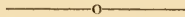
**For the Year Ending**

**DECEMBER 31, 1947**

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**ANNUAL REPORTS**  
**OF THE**  
**RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES**  
**OF THE TOWN OF**  
**BENNINGTON**  
**New Hampshire**  
**TOGETHER WITH THE**  
**REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICERS**  
**FOR THE**  
**Year Ending December 31, 1947**  
**AND THE**  
**Vital Statistics For The Year 1947**



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## TOWN OFFICERS

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### *Moderator*

GEORGE E. EDWARDS

### *Selectmen*

HARRY W. BROWN      HORTON R. GLYNN  
LAURENCE J. PARKER

### *Town Clerk*

DONALD A. POWERS

### *Town Treasurer*

ARTHUR F. BELL

### *Road Agent*

HERBERT A. CURTIS

### *Tax Collector*

JAMES H. BALCH

### *Library Trustees*

PHILIP E. KNOWLES      HOWARD C. CHASE  
RUTH M. CODY

### *Superintendent of Water Works*

J. FRED MILES

*Fire Wardens*

JOHN D. ARMSTRONG                      IVON CLOUGH  
ROBERT T. POWERS

*Forest Fire Warden*

HENRY W. WILSON

*Supervisors of Checklists*

HENRY W. WILSON                      PHILIP E. KNOWLES  
LEON E. MESSER

*Ballot Inspectors*

HERBERT A. CURTIS                      J. FRED MILES  
WILFRED LEVESQUE

*Trustees of Trust Funds*

HENRY W. WILSON                      PHILIP E. KNOWLES  
FRIEDRIKA L. EDWARDS

*Overseer of Poor*

HENRY W. WILSON

*Janitor of Town Hall*

PAUL G. TRAXLER

*Sexton*

WILLIAM J. TAYLOR

*Water Commissioners*

HARRY W. BROWN                      HORTON R. GLYNN  
LAURENCE J. PARKER

*Constable*

ARTHUR R. SHELDON

*Special Police*

EDWARD E. FRENCH, *Chief*

PAUL TRAXLER

STEVE YOKOVAKIS

FRED A. HUGRON

*Trustees of Evergreen Cemetery*

HENRY W. WILSON

HARRY W. BROWN

GEORGIETTA BRYER

*Trustees of Sunnyside Cemetery*

JOHN P. WESTON

HENRY W. WILSON

*Surveyors of Wood and Lumber*

ERNEST E. WILSON

LAURENCE J. PARKER

*Scaler of Weights and Measures*

FRED A. KNIGHT

*Auditors*

EDWARD C. BLACK

MAURICE C. NEWTON

*Dog Constable*

EDWARD E. FRENCH

# TOWN WARRANT

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## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Bennington, N. H., in the County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Bennington on Tuesday, the ninth day of March, next at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Memorial Day.
3. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Highways and Bridges.
4. To see if the Town will accept State Aid for Class V Roads and raise and appropriate money for same.
5. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow such sums of money as may be necessary, in anticipation of taxes.



6. To see what action the Town will take in regard to real estate taken over by the town for non-payment of taxes.

7. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate to the Monadnock Region Association of Southern New Hampshire.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to tar Starrett Row, Eaton Avenue and Beach Road at Lake Whittemore.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum to buy 100 feet of 2½-inch hose and 100 feet of 1½-inch hose.

10. To see what action the Town will take in regards to buying a forest fire pump and raise and appropriate money for the same.

11. To see if the Town will vote to re-imburse the Library funds the amount of three hundred (\$300.00) dollars paid to Emma Bartlett for the year 1947; and the town to continue to pay Emma Bartlett three hundred (\$300.00) a year as long as she may live.

12. To see if the Town will vote to act upon a motion passed in the 1947 Town Meeting providing that the Town raise and appropriate at this meeting in 1948 the sum of three hundred (\$300.00) dollars to reimburse the G. E. P. Dodge Library for a year's salary paid to Mrs. Emma Bartlett.

13. To see what action the Town will take in laying out a road from the North Bennington road to the residence of Horace Hooper, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

14. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the report of the Committee for the Memorial for the veterans for World War II and raise and appropriate money for the same.

15. To see what action the Town will take in regard to building a curb around the Soldiers' Monument, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

16. To see what action the Town will take in regards to sidewalks on Main Street, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

17. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to finish laying the pipe and setting hydrant on street leading from the Depot to land of Mary L. Knight.

18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to finish the Town Hall toilet job.

19. To see what action the Town will take in regards to insulating the Town Hall and raise and appropriate money for the same.

20. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Statutory requirements, and to carry the articles and appropriations of the School District into effect.

21. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-first day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-eight.

HARRY W. BROWN,  
HORTON R. GLYNN,  
LAURENCE J. PARKER,  
Selectmen of Bennington.

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

HARRY W. BROWN,  
HORTON R. GLYNN,  
LAURENCE J. PARKER,  
Selectmen of Bennington.

## SCHOOL WARRANT

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### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*To the Inhabitants of the School District in the town of Bennington, N. H., qualified to vote in district affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at the town hall in said district on the 5th day of March, 1948, at 8 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.

9. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Bennington this 20th day of February, 1948.

DORIS M. PARKER,  
STEPHEN CHASE,  
HELEN M. POWERS,

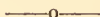
*School Board.*

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

DORIS M. PARKER,  
STEPHEN CHASE,  
HELEN M. POWERS,

*School Board.*

# B U D G E T



## SOURCES OF REVENUE

### From State:

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$823.94	\$823.94
Railroad Tax	138.43	138.43
Savings Bank Tax	168.74	168.74
For Fighting Forest Fires	12.99	12.99
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance	14.64	

### From Local Sources Except Taxes:

Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	231.00	225.00
Income of Departments:		
(a) Miscs	229.70	
(b) Tractor	90.50	100.00
(c) Truck	359.70	400.00
Income from Municipally owned Utilities:		
(a) Water Departments	1,977.77	1,977.77
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	725.68	750.00
Sale of Town Property	435.00	

### From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:

(a) Poll Taxes — Regular @ \$2	494.00	494.00
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### Total Revenues from All Sources

Except Property Taxes	\$5,702.09	\$5,090.87
*Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes	34,309.64	
Total Revenues	\$40,011.73	\$38,110.14

## PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

### Current Maintenance Expenses:

#### General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$970.00	\$1,220.00
Town Officers' Expenses	583.15	583.15
Election and Registration Expenses	77.00	200.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	1,269.41	1,200.00

#### Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	243.35	250.00
Fire Department	1,045.60	1,050.00

#### Health:

Health Department, including hospitals	95.59	500.00
Vital Statistics	.25	.25

#### Highways and Bridges:

Bridge	3,610.14	
Town Maintenance:		
Summer	1,098.77	
Winter	1,593.13	
		3,000.00
Street Lighting	1,093.56	1,193.56
General Expenses of Highway Department	1,531.71	1,500.00
Town Road Aid	198.83	199.53
Auto Permits	112.00	125.00

Libraries	200.00	200.00
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#### Public Welfare:

Town Poor	156.14	500.00
Old Age Assistance	648.58	1,000.00

#### Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations	125.00	125.00
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#### Recreation:

Parks and Playgrounds, including Band Concerts	105.60	100.00
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#### Public Service Enterprises:

Municipally owned Water and Electric Utilities	1,983.47	2,500.00
Cemeteries	15.00	75.00

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Interest:

On Temporary Loans	18.47	25.00
On Long Term Notes	240.00	290.00

Outlay for New Construction and

Permanent Improvements:

Highways and Bridges:

Tarring	2,219.94	1,000.00
Improvements	802.60	997.40
New Equipment	4,479.16	

Indebtedness:

Payment on Principal of Debt:

(a) Long Term Notes	1,000.00	1,900.00
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Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

County Taxes	4,931.15	5,000.00
Payments to School Districts	13,536.30	13,500.00
Total Expenditures	<u>\$43,983.90</u>	<u>\$38,110.14</u>



## SUMMARY OF INVENTORY

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Land and Buildings	\$399,100.00
Growing Wood and Timber	19,090.00
Electric Plants	12,000.00
Horses, 16	1,490.00
Cows, 87	7,570.00
Other Neat Stock, 11	695.00
Sheep and Goats, 6	60.00
Hens, 4,108	6,150.00
Portable Mills, 1	1,000.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks, 7	920.00
Sawed Lumber	3,000.00
Stock in Trade	212,048.00
Mills and Machinery	370,300.00
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Total	\$1,033,423.00

## AMOUNT OF TAXES AND RATES

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Poll Taxes, 263 at \$2.00	\$526.00
Total amount of taxes to be committed to Collector, including town and precinct taxes, poll taxes and National Bank Stock taxes	\$34,835.64
Average rate of taxation per \$100 valuation, for all purposes	\$3.32
Amount of property valuation exempted to soldiers	\$9,700.00
Number of inventories sent out	225
Number of inventories returned	138

## LIST OF APPROPRIATIONS

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Town officers' salaries	\$1,003.10
Town officers' expenses	535.46
Election and registration expense	75.00
Bathing beach	500.00
Town hall and buildings	1,100.00
Police department	250.00
Fire department	850.00
Truck appropriation	5,000.00
Health department	120.08
Hose appropriation	200.00
Tarring appropriation	2,000.00
Town road aid	198.83
Town maintenance	2,600.00
Auto permits	49.50
Monadnock Region	50.00
Playgrounds	200.00
Street lighting	1,040.00
General expense of highway department	1,000.00
Libraries	200.00
Old Age Assistance	1,000.00
Town poor	500.00
Memorial Day appropriation	125.00
Parks and playgrounds	62.60
Water and electric utilities	1,600.00
Interest	240.00
Payment on principal of debt	1,000.00
County tax	4,931.15
School tax	13,723.00
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Total town and school appropriations	\$40,153.72

Less Estimated Revenues and Credits :

Interest and dividend tax	\$823.94
Railroad tax	138.43
Savings bank tax	168.74
Reimbursements for forest fires	13.96
Motor vehicle permit fees	505.48
Rent of town property	242.40
Interest received on taxes	12.59
Water works	1,700.00
Cash surplus	2,000.00
Rental of equipment	200.00

Total Revenue and Credits	\$5,999.81	\$40,153.72
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\$34,155.91

Plus Overlay 653.73

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\$34,809.64

Less Poll Taxes 500.00

Amount to be raised by property taxes on

which tax rate is to be figured \$34,309.64

Taxes to be Committed to Collector :

Property taxes	\$34,309.64
Poll taxes at \$2.00	500.00

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Total Taxes to be Committed \$34,809.64

Tax Rate:

\$3.32 per \$100.

## CERTIFICATE

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This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from our official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

HARRY W. BROWN,  
HORTON R. GRYNN,  
LAURENCE J. PARKER,

*Selectmen of Bennington.*

February 5, 1948.

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS

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### Cash:

In hands of Treasurer	\$10,497.15
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### Accounts Due to Town:

Bounties	41.50
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Sale of property	41.00
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### Unredeemed Taxes:

Levy of 1945	.80.00
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### Uncollected Taxes:

Levy of 1947	510.16
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Levy of 1946	30.26
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Levy of 1945	17.88
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Previous years	7.50
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	\$11,225.45
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Excess of Liabilities over Assets	6,547.96
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	\$17,773.41
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Net Debt, 1946	\$3,107.90
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Net Debt, December 31, 1947	\$6,547.96
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Increase of Debt	\$3,440.06
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Increase of debt due to new bridge.	
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## STATEMENT OF LIABILITIES

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### Accounts Owed by the Town:

Town Clerk	\$125.00
Lake supervision	200.00
Lake appropriation	165.30
Balance of two water works appropriations:	

\$1,800.00

630.37

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2,430.37

Town hall toilet	500.00
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Balance of truck appropriation	826.26
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### Due to School District:

Dog tax	203.61
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Balance of appropriation	4,722.87
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### Long Term Notes Outstanding:

Water Works note	5,000.00
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Bridge notes	3,600.00
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Total Liabilities	\$17,773.41
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## AUDITORS' REPORT

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We have examined the above reports of the Selectmen, Superintendent of Water Works, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Road Agent, Trustees of Trust Funds, Library Trustees, Cemeteries and present Town Clerk, and find them correct and properly vouched for. The above accounts have been arranged in accordance with the Uniform Classification of the Tax Commission.

EDWARD C. BLACK,  
MAURICE NEWTON,

*Auditors.*

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

January 1, 1947 through December 31, 1947

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Dog licenses	\$222.21	
Less Clerk's fees	18.60	
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	\$203.61	
Turned in to Treasurer		\$203.61
Auto permits		725.53
Filing fees		21.00
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Total paid to Treasurer		\$950.19

DONALD A. POWERS,  
*Town Clerk.*

## MEMORIAL DAY REPORT

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Cash on hand January 1, 1947	\$41.75
Received from Town Treasurer	125.00
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	\$166.75

### *Paid Out*

Flags	\$15.00
Express	.82
Band	125.00
A. F. Edmunds bill	6.90
R. Woodmans bill	12.00
Cash on hand	7.03
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	\$166.75

HENRY W. WILSON,  
*Treasurer of Sons of Union Veterans.*



## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

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1947 Property	\$34,309.64
½ cents	.37
1947 Polls	526.00
1947 Interest	11.85
1946 Property	177.68
1946 Interest	7.97
1946 Polls	52.00
1945 Property	17.38
1945 Interest	.67
1945 Polls	18.00
1944 Property	7.50
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	\$35,129.06
1947 Paid Treasurer Property	\$33,172.48
Polls	494.00
Interest	11.85
Discount	592.97
Uncollected property	478.16
Abated	66.40
Uncollected polls	32.00
1946 Property collected	157.42
Interest	7.97
Uncollected	20.26
Polls, 8	16.00
Uncollected and abated, 18	36.00
1945 Property	4.50
Interest	.67
Uncollected property	12.88
Polls	18.00
Polls, 3 abated	\$13.00
Polls, 1 uncollected	\$5.00

1944 Property uncollected	7.50
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	\$35,129.06

JAMES H. BALCH,  
Tax Collector.

*Taxes Uncollected*

	1944	
Otis Wilbur		\$7.50
	1945	
Robert J. Handy		\$5.38
Otis Wilbur		7.50
Isabell Handy, poll		5.00
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		\$17.88
Philip Richards, abated	\$3.00	
Pearl Richards, abated	5.00	
Otis Wilbur, abated	5.00	
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		\$30.88

1946  
*Property*

Robert J. Handy	\$10.13
Peter Martell	6.75
Eugene Mason	3.38
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	\$20.26

*Polls*

Isabell Handy	\$2.00
Eugene Mason	2.00
Mrs. Eugene Mason	2.00
Lena Sullivan	2.00

Evelyn Sudsbury	2.00	
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		\$30.26

2 Polls abated	
Alfred Champney	
Eleanor Champney	\$4.00

*Uncollected Polls*  
1947

Walter Burrows, Jr.	\$2.00
Delpha Burrows	2.00
Katherine Cashion	2.00
Jeannette Connerly	2.00
Violet Frazzer	2.00
Robert Handy	2.00
Isabell Handy	2.00
Percy Handy	2.00
Arthur Harrison	2.00
Edwina Knight	2.00
Warren Perkins	2.00
Arthur R. Sheldon	2.00
Lorenzo Smith	2.00
Carrie Smith	2.00
Marie Sullivan	2.00
Lena Sullivan	2.00
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	\$32.00

*Non-Resident*  
1947

Harry Dorr—Paid	\$23.24
Yustard Boinsnade—Paid	2.49
Amy Starrett	11.62
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	\$37.35

*Resident*

Roy Davidson	\$49.80
John Davys	16.60
George Edes	9.47
Mary A. Edes	1.00
Violet Frazer	19.92
Chester A. Fredericks	19.92
Robert J. Handy	4.98
Percy Handy	34.86
Horace Hooper	57.27
Charles A. Lavender	49.80
Peter & Louis Martell—Paid	44.82
Warren Perkins	33.20
Katherine Sheldon Estate	43.16
Lorenzo Smith	4.49
Carrie Smith	16.60
George Sullivan	19.92
Caroline Sylvester	15.00
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	\$440.81
Total Uncollected	\$478.16
Abated	66.40
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	\$544.56

## RECEIPTS

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### Current Revenue:

#### From Local Taxes:

Property tax	\$33,172.48
Poll taxes	494.00

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#### Total of Current Year's Taxes

Collected and Remitted	\$33,666.48
Property taxes, previous years	161.92
Poll taxes, previous years, at \$2.00	16.00
Interest received on taxes	20.49

#### From State:

Interest and dividend tax	\$823.94
Railroad tax	138.43
Savings bank tax	168.74
Fighting forest fires	12.99
Reimbursements (Old Age Assistance)	14.64

#### From Local Sources Except Taxes:

Dog licenses	203.61
Rent of town hall	231.00
Income from Water Works	1,977.77
Motor vehicle permits, 1946	12.55
Motor vehicle permits, 1947	713.13

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4,335.30

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\$38,200.19

### Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:

#### Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes

	\$5,000.00
Long term notes during year	3,600.00
Refunds, federal tax on truck	112.92
Sale of town property	435.00
Tractor	90.50
Rebate, truck insurance	25.00
Robert R. Wilson, tarring driveway	18.00
Sale of old sander	50.00

Amy Doe, tarring driveway	75.00	
N. H. Firemen's Ass., rebate	32.00	
J. H. Lindsay, credit highway	5.70	
Seaward Construction, fire	3.00	
Filing fees	21.00	
Town truck	359.70	
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		\$48,028.01
Cash on hand January 1, 1947		12,705.02
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		\$60,733.03

## PAYMENTS

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### Current Maintenance Expenses :

#### General Government :

Town officers' salaries	\$970.00
Town officers' expenses	583.15
Election and registration	77.00
Expense, town hall and other buildings	1,269.41

#### Protection of Persons and Property :

Police department	243.35
Fire department, including forest fires	1,045.60
Bounties	41.50

#### Health :

Health department	95.59
Vital statistics	.25

#### Highways and Bridges :

New bridge	3,610.14
Town road aid	198.83

#### Town Maintenance :

Summer	1,098.77
Winter	1,593.13

General expense of Highway Department	1,531.71
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Libraries	200.00
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#### Public Welfare :

Old age assistance	648.58
Town poor	156.14

#### Patriotic Purposes :

Memorial Day	125.00
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#### Recreation :

Parks and playgrounds	105.60
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#### Public Service Enterprises :

Water Works	1,983.47
New Water Works appropriation	1,183.48
Cemeteries	15.00

Auto permits		112.00
Total Current Maintenance Expense		<u>\$17,981.26</u>
Interest on temporary loan	\$18.47	
Interest on long term notes	240.00	
	<u></u>	258.47
Unclassified:		
Tarring appropriation	\$2,219.94	
School yard appropriation	44.40	
Town hall painting appropriation	600.00	
Lake appropriation	158.20	
New hose	192.50	
Truck	4,286.66	
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Total Interest Payments		7,501.70
Indebtedness:		
Payment on temporary loan	\$5,000.00	
Payment on long term note	1,000.00	
	<u></u>	6,000.00
Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
Special poll taxes at \$3.00, paid to		
State	\$27.00	
Taxes paid to County	4,931.15	
Payments to School District	13,536.30	
	<u></u>	18,494.45
Total Payments for All Purposes		<u>\$50,235.88</u>
Cash on hand December 31, 1947		10,497.15
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Grand Total		\$60,733.03



## CERTIFICATE

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This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

HARRY W. BROWN,  
HORTON R. GLYNN,  
LAURENCE J. PARKER,  
*Selectmen of Bennington.*

ARTHUR F. BELL,  
*Treasurer.*

February 5, 1948.

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

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### DETAIL NO. 1

#### *Taxes*

James H. Balch :	
Property taxes, 1947	\$33,172.48
Polls, 1947	494.00
Interest on taxes, 1947	11.85
Property taxes, 1946	157.42
Polls, 1946	16.00
Interest, 1946	7.97
Property taxes, 1945	4.50
Interest, 1945	.66
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Total	\$33,864.88

### DETAIL NO. 2

#### *From the State*

State of N. H., Old Age Assistance, refund	\$14.64
State of N. H., bounties	38.50
State of N. H., forest fires	12.99
State Treasurer :	
Savings bank tax	168.74
Railroad tax	138.43
Interest and dividend tax	823.94
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	\$1,197.24

### DETAIL NO. 3

#### *Dog Licenses*

Don A. Powers	\$203.61
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#### DETAIL NO. 4

##### *Auto Permits*

Don A. Powers:

1946	\$12.55
1947	713.13
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	\$725.68

#### DETAIL NO. 5

##### *Rent of Town Hall*

Paul G. Traxler	\$231.00
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#### DETAIL NO. 6

##### *Rent of Tractor*

Herbert A. Curtis	\$90.50
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#### DETAIL NO. 7

##### *General*

Don A. Powers, filing fees	\$21.00
Seaward Construction Co., line	3.00
J. H. Lindsay, credit highway	5.70
N. H. Firemen's Association, rebate	32.00
State of N. H., use of truck	67.20
Paul Cernota, sale of property	435.00
Henry Wilson, rebate truck insurance	25.00
Cresey and Williams, refund federal tax, truck	112.92
Robert R. Wilson, driveway	18.00
Roy Road Equipment, used sander	50.00
Amy Doe, tarring driveway	75.00
Herbert A. Curtis, use of truck	292.50
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Total	\$1,137.32

DETAIL NO. 8

*Temporary Loans*

First National Bank, Peterboro, temporary loan	\$5,000.00
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DETAIL NO. 9

*Bonds and Term Notes*

First National Bank, Peterboro, new bridge	\$3,600.00
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DETAIL NO. 10

*Water Works*

J. Fred Miles, water rents	\$1,977.77
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## GENERAL GOVERNMENT

### *Payments*

#### DETAIL NO. 1

##### *Town Officers' Salaries*

Harry W. Brown, selectman	\$206.25
Horton R. Glynn, selectman	168.75
Laurence J. Parker, selectman	125.00
Arthur F. Bell, treasurer	187.50
James H. Balch, tax collector	187.50
Donald A. Powers	75.00
Henry M. Whitney, auditor	10.00
Edward C. Black, auditor	10.00
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	\$970.00

#### DETAIL NO. 2

##### *Town Officers' Expenses*

Wilfred J. Boisclair, 1 name	\$ .10
New Hampshire Assessors, dues	2.00
Currier Press, Inc., town reports	275.00
Donat Corriveau, return deeds	16.55
New Hampshire Water Works Asso., dues	5.00
New Hampshire City and Town Clerks, dues	2.00
Frederika Edwards, expense, Trust Fund	10.00
Donald Powers, expense	2.10
Arthur F. Bell, expense	10.00
Harry Balch, expense	19.50
Harry Brown, stamps and expense	30.75
Eastman Co., supplies	6.42
Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies	13.01

Sargent Bros., supplies	4.10
Wheeler & Clark, supplies	.93
Horton Glynn, expense	1.25
Laurence Parker, erpense	11.25
Messenger Pub. Co., supplies	5.50
Maxwell Press, printing	4.50
Contoocook Valley Tel.	43.09
J. H. Lindsay, car	6.00
Henry W. Wilson, bonds	114.10
Total	<hr/> \$583.15

DETAIL NO. 3  
*Election and Registration*

Grace Taylor, dinners, town meeting	\$15.00
J. Fred Miles, ballot inspector	4.00
Wilfred Levesque, ballot inspector	4.00
Herbert Curtis, ballot inspector	4.00
Messenger Pub. Co., ballots	27.50
Philip Knowles, supervisor	10.00
Henry Wilson, supervisor	7.50
George Edwards, moderator	5.00
Total	<hr/> \$77.00

DETAIL NO. 4  
*Town Hall*

Alfred Perry, repairs to roof	\$12.00
J. B. Varick, lawn mower	26.95
Sidney Hunnington, cleaning chimneys	15.00
Flanders Garage, wood	14.00
Haflie Fuel & Ice, coal	337.67
Leon N. Stearns, cleaning flue	50.00
David Traxler, shoveling snow	1.50
A. F. Edmunds, supplies	9.64

Oviel D. Pierce, repairs	6.49
Packard, Inc., supplies	3.83
Coolidge & Edmunds, supplies	20.22
Patrick Cashion, trucking	10.75
Arthur R. Sheldon, cleaning hall	27.75
Roy Davidson, repairs	2.00
Arthur Harrison, cleaning	6.25
Public Service Co., lights	91.66
Henry W. Wilson, insurance	187.00
Paul Traxler, janitor service and supplies	446.70
Total	<hr/> \$1,269.41

DETAIL NO. 5  
*Police Department*

Steve Yokovakis, police duty	\$5.25
Fred Hugron, police duty	22.80
Arthur R. Sheldon, police duty	2.25
Edward French, chief police and dog constable	192.30
Paul Traxler, police duty	17.25
Sims Press, printing	3.50
	<hr/> \$243.35

DETAIL NO. 6  
*Fire Department*

Paul Traxler, labor	\$10.05
J. D. Armstrong, salary and labor	45.69
Ivon Clough, salary	20.00
Robert Powers, salary	20.00
David Traxler, labor	7.87
A. F. Edmunds, supplies	1.79
Harold A. Downs, supplies	8.90
J. J. Coffin, supplies	18.74
Derby's Stores, Inc., supplies	13.24

Johnstons Garage, repairs	1.36
H. F. Nichols, repairs	131.75
Fire Protection Co., supplies	81.50
Fred Hugron, labor	4.50
Public Service Co., electricity	12.00
Herbert Flanders, repairs	23.50
J. H. Lindsey & Son, repairs	25.63
Henry W. Wilson	69.08
P. J. Shea	550.00
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Total	\$1,045.60

#### DETAIL NO. 7

##### *Bounties*

<i>Name</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Amount Pd.</i>
George Weston	1	\$.50
George Whittemore	3	1.50
Herbert Curtis	4	2.00
George Nozier	10	5.00
Doris Parer	1	.50
Harry W. Brown	3	1.50
Marino Ozzola	3	1.50
L. J. Parker	18	9.00
Arthur Harrison	1	.50
Peter Martel, Jr.	1	.50
Teronus Davy	6	3.00
Cecil Martin	6	3.00
Robert Brown	1	.50
Horton R. Glynn	3	1.50
John Davys	8	4.00
David Durfee	1	.50
Milton Burke	13	6.50
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Total	83	\$41.50



DETAIL NO. 8  
*Health Department*

Curtis Rowe, cleaning dump	\$20.00
Herbert Curtis, cleaning dump	24.70
Stanley Dyer, cleaning dump	21.00
Henry Wilson, salary and expense	29.89

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\$95.59

*Vital Statistics*

Charles H. Tucker	\$25
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DETAIL NO. 9  
*Highway Department*

*Summer Maintenance*

Coolidge and Edmunds, supplies	\$4.74
Stanley Dyer, labor and equipment	167.18
Ray Road Equipment, supplies	6.00
Herbert A. Curtis, labor	859.75
Collector of Internal Revenue, tax	61.00

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Total	\$1,098.77
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*Winter Maintenance*

Collector of Internal Revenue, tax	\$83.80
Herbert A. Curtis, labor	1,509.33

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Total	\$1,593.13
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DETAIL NO. 10  
*General Expense of Highway Department*

Louis Hugron, wood	\$10.00
Northeastern Petroleum Co., grease	60.39
N. H. Welding and Supply Co., supplies	63.70
Southwestern Transportation Co., express	.75
Edward E. Lowe, labor	92.50

Philip E. Knowles, labor	92.50
L. J. Parker, driving tractor	8.00
Lawrence Newhall, driving truck	24.00
Cressy & Williams, supplies	108.20
R. C. Hazelton, supplies	266.97
I. H. Lindsay and Son, supplies	270.40
Public Service Co., lights	13.52
Henry W. Wilson, insurance	181.07
Coolidge and Edmunds, supplies	1.64
A. F. Edmunds, supplies	6.66
Maurice Wilson, driving tractor	167.51
Flanders Garage, supplies	38.90
Total	<hr/> \$1,406.71

#### DETAIL NO. 11

##### *Miscellaneous*

Auto permits, Donald A. Powers	\$112.00
New bridge, Antrim Depot, State of New Hampshire	\$3,610.14
Street lighting	\$1,093.56
Care of town clock, Philip Knowles	\$25.00
Auction sale, Chester Dutton	\$50.00
Monadnock Region App., Karl G. Upton	\$50.00

#### DETAIL NO. 12

##### *Library*

Philip E. Knowles, library appropriation	\$200.00
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##### *Old Age Assistance*

State of New Hampshire	\$648.58
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##### *Town Poor*

Henry W. Wilson, salary and expense	\$50.79
A. F. Edmunds, feeding tramps	2.10

Bennington Market, feeding tramps	8.75
Hillsboro County Hospital	94.50

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Total	\$156.14
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Henry W. Wilson, Memorial Day appropriation	\$125.00
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#### DETAIL NO. 13

##### *Parks and Playgrounds*

Arthur R. Sheldon, labor and repairs	\$5.60
Patrick Cashion, trucking	6.00
Paul G. Traxler, labor on lawns	15.35
David Traxler, labor on lawns	78.65

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\$105.60

#### DETAIL NO. 14

##### *Water Works*

Leon Messer, labor	\$17.60
John Eaton, labor	16.80
Southwestern Transportation, express	1.74
Builders' Providence, Inc., supplies	7.26
Johnson, Barker, Webb Co., supplies	193.57
J. Fred Miles, salary and labor	996.17
Public Service Co., lights and power	604.80
Herbert Curtis, labor	59.75
East Jaffrey Oil Co., oil	71.78
Sims Press, printing	14.00

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Total	\$1,983.47
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##### *Cemeteries*

Henry W. Wilson, Sunnyside Cemetery	\$15.00
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DETAIL NO. 15  
*New Water Works*

Builders Providence, Inc., supplies	\$13.37
Johnson Barker Webb Co., supplies	923.27
B. & M. Railroad, freight	246.84
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Total	\$1,183.48

*Special Poll Taxes*

State of New Hampshire	\$27.00
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*Interest*

Hillsboro Guaranty Savings Bank:	
Interest on Water Bond	\$240.00
First National Bank of Peterboro:	
Interest on loan, anticipation of taxes	18.47
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Total	\$258.47

DETAIL NO. 16  
*Painting Town Hall*

Conrad Marcouillier, labor and paint	\$600.00
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*New Truck*

Cressy and Williams, truck	\$4,047.72
Southwestern Transportation Co., express	1.44
Ray Road Equipment, sander	225.00
F. A. Gleason and Son, lights	12.50
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Total	\$4,286.66

*Hose Appropriation*

Fire Protection Co., hose	\$192.50
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DETAIL NO. 17  
*Tarring Appropriation*

Herbert A. Curtis, payrolls	\$871.15
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Trimont Bituminous Products Co., tar	1,348.79
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Total	<u>\$2,219.94</u>
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*Lake Appropriation*

Herbert A. Curtis, payrolls	\$158.20
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*School Ground Appropriation*

Herbert A. Curtis, payrolls	\$44.40
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*Temporary Loans*

First National Bank, Peterboro	\$5,000.00
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Hillsboro Guaranty Savings Bank, Water Board	<u>1,000.00</u>
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\$6,000.00

*T.R.A. Appropriation*

State of New Hampshire	\$198.83
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DETAIL NO. 18

*County Tax*

County treasurer	\$4,931.15
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*School Appropriation*

Mary K. Wilson	\$13,536.30
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## SUNNYSIDE CEMETERY TREASURER'S REPORT

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Cash on hand January 1, 1947	\$66.05
Received from:	
Trustee of Trust Fund	267.36
Town treasurer for Emely Whittemore lot	15.00
Cora Sheldon, care of her lot	10.00
W. L. Gerrard, care of his lot	5.00
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	\$363.41

### *Paid Out*

Walter Smith, labor	\$102.00
Nelson Holland, labor	34.00
Joe LeBlanc, labor	18.75
H. W. Wilson, labor	7.50
Coolidge and Edmunds, lawn mower	24.25
Sylvia Zanger, labor	5.00
A. F. Edmunds, flowers for Butler lot	3.00
Kenneth Johnson, sharpening and repairing lawn mowers	6.35
Derbey's Store, tools	6.02
Henry W. Wilson, insurance	6.50
Henry W. Wilson, secretary and treasurer	5.00
Bank charges	1.30
Cash on hand January 1, 1948	143.74
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	\$363.41

HENRY W. WILSON,  
*Secretary and Treasurer.*

# REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS

of the

TOWN OF BENNINGTON

For Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1947

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## CERTIFICATE

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This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

January 24, 1948.

HENRY W. WILSON,  
PHILIP E. KNOWLES,  
FRIEDRIKA L. EDWARDS,

Trustees.

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LIBRARY FUNDS								
1923	John D. & Mary C. Butler	New Hampshire Savings Bank	\$1000 00	2		20 30	20 00	30
1938	Emma E. Gipson	New Hampshire Savings Bank	5000 00	2		101 50	100 00	1 50
1938	Emma E. Gipson	Hillsborough Co. Savings Bank	5000 00	2		100 00	100 00	
1938	Emma E. Gipson	Manchester Savings Bank	5000 00	2½	62 50	127 34	189 84	
1938	Emma E. Gipson	Mechanics Savings Bank	5000 00	2½		125 78	125 78	
1938	Emma E. Gipson	Merrimack County Sav. Bank	5000 00	2½		125 00	125 00	
1938	Emma E. Gipson	Loan & Trust Savings Bank	5000 00	2		100 51	100 51	
1938	Emma E. Gipson	Union Trust Company	5978 66	2		119 56		119 56
	Mary Butler Jameson	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	457 50	2		9 30	9 30	
EVERGREEN CEMETERY								
1913	George L. Herrick, Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2	84 97	5 73	5 00	85 70
1914	Mrs. A. D. Green, Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2	73 32	5 51	5 00	73 83
1914	Mrs. C. M. Whitney, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2	66 36	5 37		71 73



1923	Calvin S. Brown, Cem. Fund C. S. Brown Est.	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2	22 99	2 47	25 46
1928	Cyrus H. Philbrick, Cem. Fund C. H. Philbrick	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2	6 75	4 15	10 90
1928	Ann F. Philbrick, Cem. Fund C. H. Philbrick	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2	3 37	2 08	5 45
1929	Lizzie M. Holt, Cem. Fund Lizzie M. Holt	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2	11 07	4 25	15 32
1929	Chas. F. Manahan, Cem. Fund Chas. F. Manahan	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2	3 81	2 08	5 89
1929	Luke Burt, Cem. Fund Sarah Burt	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50 00	2	1 67	1 04	2 71
1931	John C. Dodge, Cem. Fund Mary F. Leavitt	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2	6 75	4 15	10 90
1931	Enos Vieno, Cem. Fund Enos Vieno Est.	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2	3 37	2 08	5 45
1935	Bradford D. Brown, Cem. Fund Georgetta Bryer	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	2 1/2		1 26	1 26
1939	Ellen C. Brown, Cem. Fund Ellen C. Brown	Peterborough Savings Bank	200 00	2 1/2		5 04	5 04
1940	Walter Wilson, Cem. Fund Mary K. Wilson	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	2 1/2	10	1 26	1 36
1942	Sam'l & Jane Dodge, Cem. Fund Nettie Kimball	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	2 1/2		1 26	1 26
1943	Thomas Wilson, Cem. Fund Margaret Wilson	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	100 00	2		2 00	2 00
1946	Lizzie M. Holt, Cem. Fund Lizzie M. Holt	First Nat'l Bank, Peterborough	10433 52				
MOUNT CALVARY CEMETERY							

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1946	Lawrence W. Flynn, Cem. Fund L. W. Flynn will SUNNYSIDE CEMETERY	Peterborough Savings Bank	125 00	2 1/2		1 82		1 82
1916	Trustees Trust Funds	Manchester Savings Bank	600 00	2 1/2	71 84	16 77	25 00	63 11
1906	Geo. A. Whittemore Cem. Fund G. A. Whittemore	New Hampshire Savings Bank	300 00	2	91 56	7 90	15 00	84 46
1919	Clara R. Whittemore, Cem. Fund C. R. Whittemore	New Hampshire Savings Bank	100 00	2	30 45	2 63	8 00	25 08
1922	Horace Dinsmore, Cem. Fund Mabel A. Bryant	New Hampshire Savings Bank	100 00	2	25 17	2 53	6 00	21 70
1923	John D. & Moody Butler, Cem. F. Mary B. Jameson	New Hampshire Savings Bank	225 00	2	58 22	5 70	15 00	48 92
1927	Royal V. Knight, Cem. Fund Scott W. Knight	New Hampshire Savings Bank	200 00	2	26 87	4 55	8 00	23 42
1932	Charles F. Burnham, Cem. Fund C. F. Burnham	Peterborough Savings Bank	200 00	2 1/2	14 00	5 33	8 00	11 33

1934	Bessie W. Call, Cem. Fund	B. W. Call	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00 2 1/2	4 59	2 58	5 89	1 28
1935	Geo. W. Wilson, Cem. Fund	Ida B. Ware	Peterborough Savings Bank	75 00 2 1/2	4 02	1 96	5 01	97
1935	Betsey R. Brown, Cem. Fund	Georgetta Bryer	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00 2 1/2	1 62	1 28	2 26	64
1936	Nancy Stevens, Cem. Fund	Nancy Stevens	Peterborough Savings Bank	150 00 2 1/2	3 94	3 82	5 85	1 91
1939	Mary L. Knight, Cem. Fund	Mary L. Knight	Peterborough Savings Bank	200 00 2 1/2	8 51	5 20	6 00	7 71
1941	Frank A. Taylor, Cem. Fund	Grace A. Taylor	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00 2 1/2	2 64	2 55	3 92	1 27
1942	Fred Kimball Cem. Fund	Nettie Kimball	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00 2 1/2	3 66	2 57	4 95	1 28
1942	Rodney & Lenore Nichols, Cem. F.	Nettie Kimball	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00 2 1/2	2 65	2 55	3 93	1 27
1943	Frank Young, Cem. Fund	Helen Young	Peterborough Savings Bank	150 00 2 1/2	3 46	3 82	5 37	1 91
1945	Sarah Keyser, Cem. Fund	Emma Bartlett	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00 2 1/2	99	1 26	1 62	63
1945	Geo. Alfred Whittemore, Cem. F.	M. W. Mather	Peterborough Savings Bank	200 00 2 1/2	2 50	5 06	5 03	2 53
1946	Lenora N. O'Leary, Cem. Fund	Lenora N. O'Leary	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00 2 1/2	21	2 50	1 46	1 25
1946	Stephen & Mary Chase, Cem. F.	Mary Chase heirs	Peterborough Savings Bank	125 00 2 1/2		2 61	1 04	1 57
1927	Amon Symonds, Cem. Fund	Abbie M. Symonds	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	400 00 2	35 21	8 70	12 50	31 41
1927	Sam'l Abbott, Cem. Fund	Adelie M. Peavy	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	200 00 2	20 82	4 40	10 00	15 22

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1919	Ann M. Eaton, Cem. Fund	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	100 00	2	1 08	2 02	1 08	2 02
1937	Chas. H. Kimball, Cem. Fund	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	100 00	2	1 08	2 02	1 08	2 02
1939	Sam'l Gilman & Lucinda Dodge, C.F.	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	100 00	2	1 08	2 02	1 08	2 02
1940	M. Hayward, N. Jennison J. Knight	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	200 00	2	3 17	4 06	3 17	4 06
1940	Amos A. Martin, Cem. Fund	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	327 85	2	41 27	7 38		48 65
1940	A. A. Martin heirs	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	200 00	2	31 15	7 00	8 00	30 15
1940	Community Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2	25 45	4 50	8 00	21 95
1905	Anna M. Woodbury, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	1766 16	2	62 81	36 79	25 00	74 60
1906	H. P. Ramsey, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	150 00	2	16 62	3 31	10 00	9 93
1914	Abram A. Ramsey, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank						
1915	C. J. Kimball, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank						
	C. J. Kimball heirs	Amoskeag Savings Bank						

1916	W. S. Carlin, Cem. Fund	332 20	2	42 74	7 47	15 00	35 21
1917	W. S. Carlin Amoskeag Savings Bank Augusta W. Gray, Cem. Fund	100 00	2	9 93	2 18	8 00	4 11
1918	A. W. Gray Amoskeag Savings Bank W. H. Darrah, Cem. Fund	50 00	2	2 15	1 05	1 62	1 58
1921	Mrs. Sarah Darrah Amoskeag Savings Bank Ed I. Dodge, Cem. Fund	100 00	2	12 54	2 24	6 00	8 78
1925	Mrs. A. M. Dodge Amoskeag Savings Bank Wm. L. Taylor, Cem. Fund	100 00	2	15 19	2 31	4 00	13 50
1928	Mrs. Addie Carter Amoskeag Savings Bank David W. Bell, Cem. Fund	100 00	2	9 93	2 19	6 00	6 12
1928	Mrs. Caroline Crombie Amoskeag Savings Bank Harriet Kimball, Cem. Fund	50 00	2	6 18	1 11	4 00	3 29
1928	C. H. Philbrick Amoskeag Savings Bank Wm. Keith, Cem. Fund	100 00	2	9 90	2 19	6 00	6 09
1930	Wm. Keith Amoskeag Savings Bank Mary Knowles, Cem. Fund	100 00	2	4 16	2 09	2 00	4 25
	Philip Knowles Amoskeag Savings Bank						

## 1947 REPORT ON EVERGREEN CEMETERY

Town :

Received, 1947	\$125.00	
Sale of five lots	25.00	
	<hr/>	\$150.00

### *Paid Out*

May 16	Sharpening mower	\$.75	
Aug. 14	Walter Smith	45.75	
Nov. 1	Walter Smith	28.50	
Nov. 21	Henry W. Wilson, insurance	4.50	
April 22	Leon Messer	19.50	
Dec. 17	Leon Messer	28.80	
Dec. 29	G. M. Bryer	5.00	
Jan. 1, 1948	Cash on hand	17.20	
		<hr/>	\$150.00

### *Perpetual Care*

Cash on hand	\$38.86	
Received from trust funds	10.00	
	<hr/>	\$48.86

### *Paid Out*

Aug. 14	Walter Smith	\$16.60	
Nov. 1	Walter Smith	26.25	
Jan. 1, 1948	Cash on hand	6.01	
		<hr/>	\$48.86

GEORGIETTA BRYER

*Trustee.*

## REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT FOR 1947

Water Tax Collected	\$1,877.32	
Supplies Sold	100.45	
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Total Collected		\$1,977.77
Paid to Town Treasurer		\$1,977.77
Water Tax Uncollected:		
1946:— A. R. Sheldon	\$13.00	
1947:—		
Chas. Lavender,	\$15.00	
Ann Barry	5.00	
Conrad Macoulier	22.75	
Geo. Sullivan	10.00	
A. R. Sheldon	13.00	

J. FRED MILES, *Collector.*

## RECORD OF PUMPING STATION FOR 1947

	Power	Atten.	Hrs.	No. Gl's.
Jan.	\$56.20	\$15.50	162	983,700
Feb.	56.20	14.00	24½	154,340
March	18.00	15.50	None	None
April	18.00	None	None	None
May	18.00	None	None	None
June	18.00	None	None	None
July	52.70	15.00	102	662,600
Aug.	76.50	18.00	329	2,097,910
Sept.	77.90	20.00	322	1,734,040
Oct.	75.30	20.00	297	1,781,010
Nov.	73.30	19.00	185	1,132,600
Dec.	52.70	15.00	79	480,660
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	\$592.80	\$151.50	1,179	9,026,860

J. FRED MILES,  
Supt. of Water Dept.

## TOWN HALL REPORT

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<i>Month</i>	<i>Rent Receipts</i>	<i>Janitor's Fees and Repairs</i>
January	\$43.50	\$58.00
February	33.00	55.00
March	26.50	52.50
April	19.00	42.25
May	15.50	36.25
June		10.25
July	7.00	16.75
August	21.00	28.69
September	10.50	16.49
October	10.50	21.25
November	14.00	46.25
December	30.50	39.50
	\$231.00	\$425.18

Paid:

A. F. Bell, treasurer

\$231.00

P. G. TRAXLER,

*Janitor.*



## FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT

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### ENGINE NO. 1

#### *Equipment*

- 1 500 gallon pumper with 150 gallon booster tank
- 1600 feet of 2½ inch hose
- 150 feet 1½ inch hose for booster tank
- 1 Hand extinguisher
- 1 Foam type extinguisher
- 1 Roof ladder
- 1 Extension ladder
- 1 Smoke mask
- 1 First aid kit
- 1 Firefight extinguisher

### ENGINE NO. 2

- 75 Gallon pump with 125 gallon booster tank with 150 feet one inch hose, 900 feet 1½ inch hose
- 2 Ladders
- 4 Extinguishers
- 24 Shovels
- 1 Smoke mask
- 1 First aid kit
- 1 CO<sub>2</sub> extinguisher

#### *Other Equipment*

- 3 Long ladders
- 12 Indian fire pumps

#### *Record of Calls*

- 6 Chimney
- 3 Dwelling
- 1 Gas station
- 1 Oil

2 Dump

1 Grass

NINE—BENNINGTON—No. 482 ... .. JK

Fire alarm boxes are located one at town hall and one at drug store. Open door, pull down hook once and let go and stay at box until firemen arrive.

12 and 6 blasts for fire.

1 blast first Monday each month at 6:45 P. M.

2 blasts for no school at 8:00 A. M.

Fire company consist of 3 fire wards and 27 men.

1 long blast to shut off water at any time.

*New Enquipment Bought This Year*

1 15 lb. CO<sub>2</sub> extinguisher

1 Firefighter extinguisher

1 Fog nozzle

1 Fitting for 1½ inch hose

We heartily thank the townspeople who so kindly donated for our new recuscitator.

The fire wards recommend to buy 100 feet of 2½ inch hose and 100 feet of 1½ inch hose, also a portable fire pump.

JOHN D. ARMSTRONG.

IVON W. CLOUGH,

*Fire Wardens.*

## FOREST FIRE PROBLEM SERIOUS

The year 1947 was one of the worst periods of drouth and forest fire occurrence in eastern United States history. Lack of water ruined crops, lowered water levels and dried up brooks everywhere. Three months of deficient rainfall and abnormally high temperatures resulted in many fires which were mostly well controlled and kept within bounds. Only the high winds beginning on October 23rd caused a few fires to escape beyond immediate control. These few fires resulted in burning some 15,000 acres and the loss of 63 or more buildings in four New Hampshire towns.

All October fires were costly. They burned deeply in the ground and required day and night patrol of large crews of men until the rains came late in October. Towns which escaped from serious fires might easily have been in the midst of the most serious conflagrations we had.

Governor Dale closed the woods effective at midnight of October 15th. With the blow-up of October 23rd, a second proclamation closed all back roads and authorized towns to inaugurate patrol. The effect of this was to cut down subsequent fires for the rest of the dry period.

Local fire warden forces performed an admirable job to hold the more than 200 fires that occurred during this October period. Many men were taxed to the utmost as the emergency continued. To them and all those who did their work, the people of New Hampshire owe a debt of gratitude. The state forest fire control agency based on local town wardens and town crews wherever adequately equipped rose to the occasion and met the test in whatever town their services were needed.

It is now time to take stock everywhere of our fire fighting facilities for the season ahead and to make them adequate where necessary. To this end town fire plans and training programs for wardens, deputies and other key men in each district are being arranged or in progress. If equipment and tools are insufficient properly to equip the available man power in each community with the right tools for the job, they should be provided for at once. The yearly addition of fire

tools to the town supply will generally need to be built up. The state sees tools to the towns and shares one-half their cost. Good equipment is important and can help greatly and can help to keep both damage and fire cost at a minimum.

For many years we have requested our wardens not to issue burning permits except on rainy days. This regulation will be in effect again this year as it is one of the best means of assuring such fires from getting out of control. Nine out of every ten fires can be prevented, 98 percent of all fires being due to human carelessness. Be sure to get a permit for any fire in or near woodland when the ground is free from snow. Be sure your fires are always out before you leave them. Help us in getting the travelling public to keep from throwing out lighted matches or cigarettes. Be careful of all fires in or near woodland.

CHARLES F. YOUNG  
District Chief

**1947 Fire Record**

Number of fires	3
Acreage burned	3
Number of fire permits issued	0

HENRY W. WILSON  
Forest Fire Warden

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE G.E.P. DODGE LIBRARY

January 1, 1947 to December 31, 1947

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### *Receipts*

Cash on hand January 1, 1947	\$538.72
Trust funds	770.43
Town appropriation	200.00
Fines	15.00
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	\$1,524.15

### *Expenditures*

Mary K. Wilson, librarian	\$300.00
Emma Bartlett, assistant librarian	250.00
Steve Yakovakis, janitor service	150.00
Hafeli Fuel and Ice Co., 1,376 gal. oil	131.47
Public Service Co., lights	33.60
Henry W. Wilson, insurance	50.49
Books	151.18
Magazine subscriptions	21.25
Howard Chase, labor and supplies	7.90
Paul Traxler, labor and supplies	8.17
Patrick Cashion, labor on trees	18.00
Donald Thomson, desk supplies	13.20
Post Office box rent	1.80
Bank charges	1.30
Grace Taylor, cataloging books	45.00
Dorothy Wilson, cataloging books	5.50
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Total Expenses	\$1,188.86

Cash on hand December 31, 1947

335.29

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\$1,524.15

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP E. KNOWLES,

*Treasurer.*

Approved:

HOWARD N. CHASE,

RUTH CODY,

*Library Trustees.*

# REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN OF THE G. E. P. DODGE LIBRARY

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## *Days and Hours Open*

Monday, Wednesday, Saturday  
Afternoons 2:30 — 4:30  
Evenings 6:30 — 8:30

Books purchased, 1947	85
Books by gift	55
(36 of these by Lieut. James F. Deckert)	
The Peterborough Transcript	12
Magazines by subscription	2,319
Books numbered for circulation	150
Borrowers	

## *Magazines by Subscription*

Activities  
Jack and Jill  
American Girl  
Seventeen  
The Ladies Home Journal  
The Reader's Digest  
Life  
The Saturday Evening Post  
Time  
Omnibook  
The Popular Mechanics  
The National Geographic

## *Magazines by Gift*

The Rural New Yorker  
Troubadour  
Fortune  
Science Illustrated  
The Christian Science Weekly  
Snew's (Antrim High School)

MARY K. WILSON

*Librarian.*

# FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE BENNINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

For the Fiscal Year, July 1, 1946 to June 30, 1947

## *Administration*

### Salaries of District Officers:

Helen M. Powers, school board	\$35.00	
Doris M. Parker, school board	25.00	
Stephen Chase, school board	25.00	
Mary K. Wilson, treasurer	35.00	
J. Prentiss Weston, clerk	2.50	
George E. Edwards, moderator	2.50	
Frieda L. Edwards, auditor	2.50	
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		\$127.50

### Superintendent's Excess Salary:

Paid to Carroll Johnson, treasurer, Supervisory Union, No. 24	151.22
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### Truant Officer and Census:

R. E. Lane, enumeration cards	\$1.08	
Mary K. Wilson, census	7.00	
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		8.08

### Expenses of Administration:

Messenger, notice of meetings	\$ .70	
Expenses of Mary K. Wilson	7.58	
Carroll Johnson, retirement of supt.	9.66	
Edson Eastman, warrants	.60	
Henry W. Wilson, bond	5.00	
N. H. School Board Association	3.00	
Bank activity charge	.10	
Helen M. Powers, expense	1.82	
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		28.46



*Instruction*

Teachers' Salaries :

Ruth P. Cody	\$1,500.00	
Lulu M. Cilley	1,500.00	
Jessie B. Black	1,500.00	
Ileene N. Parker	1,400.00	
Herman Hill	250.00	
Retirement, district share	362.95	
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Textbooks :

American Book Company	\$67.47	
Noble & Noble Publishing Company	7.30	
Chas. Scribner & Sons	1.27	
F. A. Owen Publishing Company	53.45	
Houghton Mifflin	5.02	
The Macmillan Company	32.18	
Beckly-Cardy Company	125.61	
Rand McNally Company	70.49	
Ginn and Company	31.74	
Webster Publishing Company	11.52	
Scott Forsman Company	88.29	
The W. L. Singer Company	2.26	
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Scholars' Supplies :

Edward E. Babb	\$160.40	
H. Hill	6.01	
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Other Expenses of Instruction :

J. L. Hammett	\$13.27	
World Book Company	13.69	
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*Operation and Maintenance of School Plant*

Janitor's Salary :

J. Fred Miles	840.00
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Fuel :

Hafeli Coal Company	655.80
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Water, Light and Janitors' Supplies :

Public Service Company	\$61.08
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J. Fred Miles	11.57
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A. F. Edmunds	13.69
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Don A. Powers	5.05
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Coolidge & Edmunds	8.50
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99.89

Minor Repairs and Expenses :

John R. Martin	\$43.50
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Howard N. Chase, pianos	6.15
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Radio and Electric Service	10.87
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Alfred Perry, flag pole and roof	105.00
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Packard, Inc., rope	11.90
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J. Fred Miles	21.11
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208.53

*Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities*

Health Supervision :

Martha Parker, R. N.	\$230.00
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William J. Collins, M. D.	94.00
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324.00

Transportation of Pupils :

J. Herbert Lindsay	765.00
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Payment of Tuition :

Hillsboro Special District :	\$1,100.00
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Peterborough School District	882.40
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1,982.40

Other Special Activities :

Philip Morris, basketball	12.00
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Fixed Charges :

Tax for statewide supervision,

State Treasurer, per capita tax	210.00
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Insurance and Other Fixed Charges :

Henry W. Wilson, insurance	139.78
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Total Payments for All Purposes	\$12,770.22
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DORIS M. PARKER,  
HELEN M. POWERS,  
STEPHEN CHASE,  
*School Board of Bennington, N. H.*

## AUDITORS' REPORT

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This is to certify that we have examined the books and other financial records of the School Board, all of which we find correct.

FRIEDA L. EDWARDS,  
WALTER D. CLEARY,  
*Auditors.*

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DISTRICT TREASURER

For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1947

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Cash on hand June 30, 1946	\$1,128.36
Received from selectmen, appropriation for current year	\$11,372.00
Dog tax	164.30
Received from all other sources	722.00
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Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	\$13,386.66
Less School Board Orders Paid	12,770.22
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Balance on Hand as of June 30, 1947	\$616.44

MARY K. WILSON,  
*District Treasurer.*

# **PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE BENNINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT**

For the Year July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949

Salaries of district officers	\$245.00
Superintendent's excess salary	285.00
Truant officer and census	15.00
Expenses of administration	100.00
Teachers' salaries	7,600.00
Textbooks	100.00
Scholars' supplies	250.00
Flags and aappurtenances	10.00
Other expenses instruction	125.00
Janitors' salary	900.00
Fuel	500.00
Water, light, janitors' supplies	150.00
Minor repairs and expenses	150.00
Health supervision	450.00
Transportation of pupils	1,000.00
Payment of tuition	3,200.00
Other special activities	25.00
Tax for statewide supervision	206.00
Insurance and other fixed charges	95.00
Retirement fund	393.00
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	\$15,799.00
Estimated Balance, June 30, 1948	\$400.00
Estimated Revenue, State Aid	2,000.00
Dog tax	100.00
Tuition	800.00
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	3,300.00
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Total Amount to Meet Requirements	\$12,499.00

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

From February, 1947 to February, 1948

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To Mr. Stewart V. McCormack, Supt. of Schools:	
Number of pupils examined	96
Number of visions	3
Number of tonsils	22
Number of pediculosis cases (attended to)	4
Number of skin diseases (attended to)	3
Number of poor postures	4
Number of hearing to date	1
Number of speech	1
Number of poor nutrition	6
Heart condition	1

A dental clinic was held October 14, 43 pupils had dental work done by Dr. Harvy Grimes.

Vitamins have been donated to the school for all children by the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

A hearing device has been obtained for James Lavier.

I want to thank the Superintendent of Schools, teachers and pupils for their interest and cooperation in the health work.

Respectfully submitted,  
MARTHA PARKER, R. N.

REPORT OF SEXTON OF BENNINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
FOR THE YEAR 1947

NAME	AGE			BURIED	BROUGHT FROM	INTERMENT
	Yr.	Mo.	Dy			
William F. Cashion	32	5	26	March 26		Mt. Calvary Cemetery
William F. Cashion, Jr.	3	11	26	March 26		Mt. Calvary Cemetery
Ronald Cashion	4	8	29	March 26		Mt. Calvary Cemetery
Ruel S. Cram	78	2	6	April 23		Sunny Side Cemetery
Harry S. Dunbar	60	8	11	May 18		Evergreen Cemetery
Napoleon Tandy	36	4	3	June 11	Peterborough	Evergreen Cemetery
Jane M. Umback	85	0	3	June 27	Peterborough	Mt. Calvary Cemetery
Joseph G. McGrath	31	2	8	July 2	New Britain, Conn.	Mt. Calvary Cemetery
Harry D. Dunbar	29	7	20	Oct. 14	Hartford, Vt.	Evergreen Cemetery
Arnold E. Cossette	41	11	17	Oct. 23	Goffstown	Mt. Calvary Cemetery

WILLIAM J. TAYLOR, Sexton.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deaths Registered in the Town of Bennington, N. H. for the Year Ending  
December 31, 1947.

Date of Death 1947	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age			Place of Birth	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
			Years	Months	Days			
Jan. 28	Bennington	Eliza Sawyer	93	9	14	Canada	Unknown	Unknown
Mar. 23	Bennington	William F. Cashion	32	11	26	Bennington	Patrick E. Cashion	Kate N. McGrael
Mar. 23	Bennington	Ronald Cashion	4	8	29	Peterboro	William F. Cashion	Katherine Norris
Mar. 23	Bennington	William F. Cashion, Jr.	3	5	28	Peterboro	William F. Cashion	Katherine Norris
April 19	Bennington	Ruel Scott Cram	78	2	6	Antrim	Charles Cram	? Simon
May 28	Bennington	Harry Sam Dunbar	60	8	11	New Boston	David P. Dunbar	Myraetta Hamblett
June 9	Peterborough	Napoleon Landry	36	4	3	Winchendon, Mass.	Felix Landry	Delia Goyette
June 28	New Britain Conn.	Joseph McGrath	31	2	8	Bennington	Patrick McGrath	Nellie Cody
Oct. 11	Hartford, Vt.	Harry D. Dunbar	29	7	20	Bennington	Harry S. Dunbar	Florence French
Oct. 21	Goffstown	Arnold E. Cossette	41	11	17	Bennington	Alan McDonald	Rose Diamond
Nov. 29	Goffstown	Andrew McDonald	82	0	11	Nova Scotia	Victor Cossette	Mary ?

Note: Color, All white

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DONALD A. POWERS, *Town Clerk.*



Marriages Registered in the Town of Bennington, N. H. for the Year Ending  
December 31, 1947.

Date and Place of Marriage 1947	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Age in Years Residence of Each at time of Marriage	Place of Birth of each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents
February 8 Peterborough	Sherman F. Flynn Maniel V. Braid	Peterborough   23 Bennington   20	Peterborough Bennington	Sherman C. Flynn Blanche A. Gamache David Braid	Bennington Canada Scotland
June 14 Antrim	John R. Warren Shirley Fuglestad	Bennington   25 Antrim   19	Bennington Antrim	Margaret A. Cody Pearl J. Warren Gladys Dodge Andrew S. Fuglestad	Bennington Greenfield W. Medford, Mass. Cambridge, Mass.
April 19 Bennington	John H. Lindsay, Jr. Judith G. O'Roak	Bennington   26 Goffstown   20	Bennington Sherman Mills, Me.	Arvilla E. Clark John H. Lindsay Ora Wilson Floyd B. O'Roak Freida Robinson	Weare Hancock Francestown Kingman, Me. S. Mills, Me.
April 25 Bennington	Robert E. Wilson Dorothy T. Hutchinson	Bennington   21 Antrim   20	Bennington Peterborough	Walter E. Wilson Mary Knowles Roland H. Hutchinson Annette C. Wyne	Francestown Bennington Peterborough Roston, N. Y.
November 1 Bennington	Robert A. Sylvester, Jr. Yvonne B. Cullen	Haverhill, Mass.   26 Haverhill, Mass.   19	Springfield, Mass. Haverhill, Mass.	Robert A. Sylvester Isabelle McFarlane James Cullen Elbertine Langervine	Concord Ludlow, Mass. Salem Haverhill, Mass.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
DONALD A. POWERS, Town Clerk.

# **Births Registered in the Town of Bennington, N. H. for the Year Ending December 31, 1947.**

Note. All white. Parents all white. Residence: All Bennington.

Date of Birth 1947	Name of Child	Sex		No.	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
		Sex	Living					
Jan. 3	Dorothy Louise Collins	F	L	2	William J. Collins	Lois A. Prince	Salem, Mass.	Danvers, Mass.
Mar. 16	Timothy James Cuddihy	M	L	1	James G. Cuddihy	Pauline J. Shea	Bennington	Bennington
May 20	Lorraine Carol Bennett	F	L	1	Everett G. Bennett	Eleanor M. Paige	Sutton, Vt.	Francestown
June 4	Ethel Lee Flanders	F	L	3	Herbert Flanders	Hattie Bruce	Plymouth	Moulton, Ga.
June 4	Kathleen Ann Burke	F	L	4	Milton F. Burke	Mary E. Nazer	N. Brookfield, Mass.	Penacook
June 6	Peter Lee Diamond	M	L	2	Leroy H. Diamond	Bernice A. Robertson	Bennington	Greenfield
July 22	Harold Clinton Swett	M	L	3	Carl R. Swett	Alice M. Fenerty	Antrim	Foxboro, Mass.
Aug. 27	Levi Alonzo Griffin, Jr.	M	L	3	Levi A. Griffin	Rachel F. Garepy	Littleton, Mass.	Marchester
Aug. 29	Norman L. Sheffield, Jr.	M	L	1	Norman L. Sheffield	Carol R. Appenzeller	Nashua	Brooklyn
Oct. 9	George Edward Nazer, Jr.	M	L	1	George E. Nazer	Lida M. Alves	Bennington	Hillsboro
Oct. 23	Norman Edmund Hoffman	M	L	1	Robert M. Hoffman	Margaret J. Edmunds	Fitchburg, Mass.	Nashua
Oct. 27	George C. Whittimore, Jr.	M	L	1	George C. Whittimore	Phoebe R. Champney	Antrim	Penacook
Nov. 2	Theresa J. Tatro	F	L	7	Joseph H. Tatro	Eleanor F. Stevens	Berkshire, Vt.	Woodsville
Dec. 26	Sandra Marion Paige	F	L	2	Maurice E. Paige	Verna Lowe	Francestown	Greenfield

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DONALD A. POWERS, Town Clerk.



